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Six hundred and first Meeting.

November 11, 1868. — STATUTE MEETING.

The VICE-PRESIDENT in the chair.

The Vice-President called the attention of the Academy to the recent decease of Mr. Octavius Pickering of the Resident Fellows.

On the motion of the Librarian it was *voted*, That the duplicate volumes of the Massachusetts Laws now in the Library of the Academy be given to the Historical Society of New York.

The following gentlemen were elected members of the Academy.

Nathaniel E. Atwood, of Provincetown, to be a Resident Fellow in Class II., Section 3.

Dr. Hermann Hagen, of Cambridge, to be a Resident Fellow in Class II., Section 3.

Horace Mann, of Cambridge, to be a Resident Fellow in Class II., Section 2.

Alpheus S. Packard, Jr., of Salem, to be a Resident Fellow in Class II., Section 3.

Edmund Quincy, of Dedham, to be a Resident Fellow in Class III., Section 3.

Sir Charles Wheatstone, of London, to be a Foreign Honorary Member in Class I., Section 3, in the place of the late Sir David Brewster.

Herrmann Ludwig Ferdinand Helmholtz, of Heidelberg, to be a Foreign Honorary Member in Class I., Section 3.

Six hundred and second Meeting.

December 8, 1868. — MONTHLY MEETING.

The VICE-PRESIDENT in the chair.

The Vice-President called the attention of the Academy to the decease of Mr. Horace Mann, of Cambridge, since the last meeting, at which he was elected a Resident Fellow.

A letter was read from Professor A. Braun, of Berlin, of the Committee on the Ehrenberg Testimonial, in answer to an official communication from the President.

Professor Winlock reported the preparation, by the Rumford Committee, of a list of Count Rumford's works.

Six hundred and third Meeting.

January 12, 1869. — MONTHLY MEETING.

The VICE-PRESIDENT in the chair.

On the motion of Professor Winlock, a committee was appointed to memorialize Congress relative to appropriations to aid in the observation of the solar eclipse of August, 1869.

The following gentlemen were appointed on this committee: Professor J. Winlock, Dr. Thomas Hill, Mr. J. I. Bowditch, Professor J. D. Runkle, and Mr. Thomas Sherwin.

On the motion of Commodore Rodgers, the committee were requested to communicate to other learned bodies the wishes of the Academy.

On the motion of Mr. Folsom, Professor Pickering was requested to prepare for the Academy a communication on the Spectroscope and its uses.

Six hundred and fourth Meeting.

January 27, 1869. — STATUTE MEETING.

Honorable C. F. Adams was chosen President *pro tempore*.

Professor Runkle was appointed to serve as Secretary *pro tempore*.

In the absence of the chairman and other members of the committee, Professor Runkle reported that the committee appointed at the preceding meeting to prepare a memorial to Congress for aid in observing the total eclipse of the sun, on the seventh of August next, had attended to the duty assigned them.